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Applicant:

Mario DiMarco

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A62-17022-US

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Group Art Unit:

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Title:

MODIFIED IMA CABINET

ARCHITECTURE

Examiner:

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AFFIDAVIT OF MARIO DIMARCO

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231-0001

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Dear Assistant Commissioner:

I, MARIO DIMARCO, declare as follows:

I am the sole inventor of the subject matter described and claimed in United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/224,340, filed December 31, 1998, entitled MODIFIED IMA CABINET ARCHITECTURE, which subject matter is disclosed and claimed in the abovereferenced patent application.

Oftentimes, in an industry as specialized as the avionics industry, potential customers meet with companies in the business of providing avionics systems in order to survey technologies under development. Such meetings are not for the purpose of consummating a sale (or even offering goods for sale), but rather to inform and educate potential customers on the future of the industry. Such meetings provide a preview of ideas that may later develop in the avionics industry.

3. On July 2, 1997, Parm Narveson, Khosrow Youssefi, and I met with representatives from Airbus. At this time, Airbus was surveying up and coming technology in the field of avionics systems.

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Dated: // /2// 2000

Mario Di Marco

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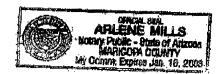
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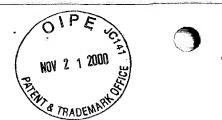
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- I, KHOSROW YOUSSEFI, declare as follows:

  1. I am FNGINEAUNE MANAGER[INSERT TITLE] at Honeywell International Inc.
- Oftentimes, in an industry as specialized as the avionics industry, potential customers meet with companies in the business of providing avionics systems in order to survey technologies under development. Such meetings are not for the purpose of consummating a sale (or even offering goods for sale), but rather to inform and educate potential customers on the future of the industry. Such meetings provide a preview of ideas that may later develop in the avionics industry.
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Dated: 21 Nov 2000

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## AFFIDAVIT OF PARM NARVESON

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Dear Assistant Commissioner:

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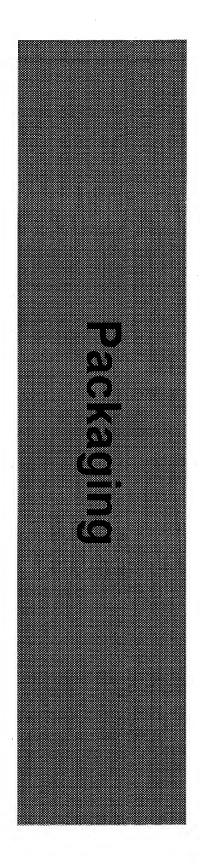
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# Considerations/ criteria / drivers

- Line Replaceability
- Handling
- Insertion / Removal
- Adaptability (For Retrofit on current aircraft or changes on current installations)
- Mechanical Dimensions
- A/C Cooling Interface
- Scaleability
- Meets Environmental Requirements
- ESI
- Thermal
- Vibration
- Interconnect Complexity



# Packaging Options

- Card Cage
- Sealed Cabinet (EMI)
- **Individual Cards**
- Unprotected
- Card Edge Connectors
- Slim Line-Replaceable Module (S-LRM)
- Sealed Cabinet (EMI)
- Individual Modules

  ◆ Protected for Handling
- ◆Sealed for EMI
- ◆Aircraft Quality Connectors
- Line Replaceable Unit (LRU per ARINC 600)



# Packaging Trades

	Interconnect Complexity	Meets Environmental Requirements		Adaptability			Line Replaceabilit y		Top Level	
	Connector Pin Count	Vibration	Thermal	IMB	Scalability	A/C Wiring and Cooling Interface	Mechanical Dimension	Insertion / Removal	Handling	Primary Consideration
	<ul><li>2-Layers on interconnect</li><li>High pin count</li></ul>	Support at Card Level	Limited Card Cooling Options	Protection at Cabinet Level	New Backplane	Can be accommodated on existing A/C	Small card size to accommodate interface hardware	<ul> <li>Must open cab to remove cards</li> <li>Pin Damage</li> <li>Susceptability</li> </ul>	No Protection (Card or Conn)	Card Cage
	<ul> <li>Single connector direct to A/C wiring</li> <li>Minimize pin count</li> <li>Pin Limited between modules</li> </ul>	Modular Design Inherantly strong	Heat Sinks avail. at module sides	Protection at Module and Cabinet Level	New Module	Can be accommodated on existing A/C	<ul><li>Max card size</li><li>Min. chassis hwr</li><li>Highest Weight</li></ul>	• Module Replacement	Full Protection (Card and Conn)	S-LRM
	<ul><li>2-Layers on interconnect</li><li>High pin count</li></ul>	Support at Card Level	Limited Card Cooling Options	Protection at LRU level	New LRU	Std Arinc 600	Small card size to accommodate interface hardware	• Unit Replacement	Full Protection	LRU

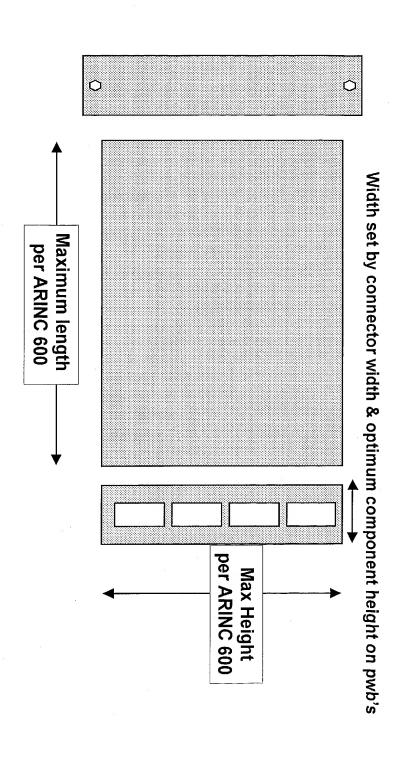


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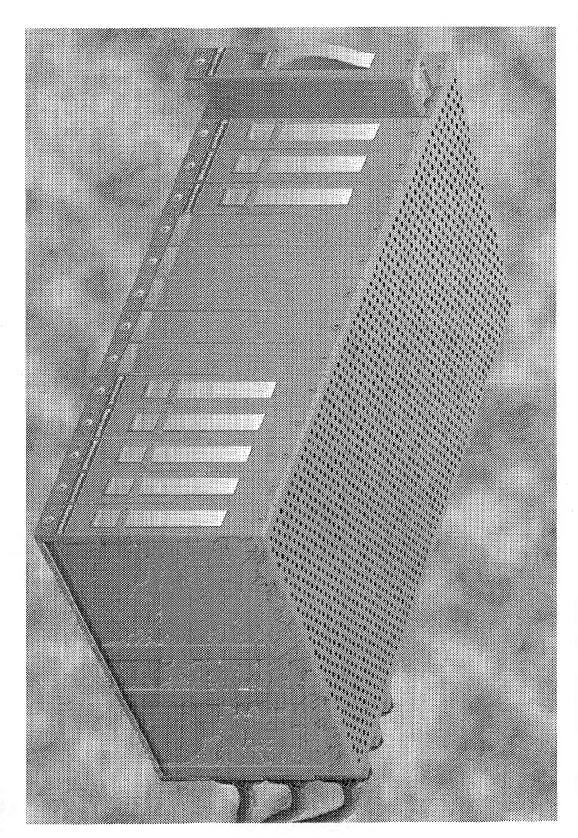
## Recommendation

- Slim Line-Replaceable Module
- Direct "high quality" connector to A/C Wiring
- Maximize card area





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